DEVELOPMENT—MORAL AND MATERIAL.

(Co-operative Societies.)

(Nos. 157 to 159.)

SUBJECT No. 157.

Empowering Amildars and Sub-Registrars to take cognisance of suits relating to Co-operative Societies.

Mr. Anantapadmanaba Thivari, Hiriyur Taluk.

Mr. Anantha Padmanabha Thivari.—According to the present practice, suits for the recovery of sums due to Co-operative Societies are disposed of by the Registrar or Assistant Registrar. As the number of suits are very many, considerable delay is caused in their disposal. This power may therefore be delegated to Amildars or Sub-Registrars.

Mr. Karnick Krishnamurthi Rao.—If Village Munsiffs' Courts are established in all taluk headquarters and the power of disposing of petty co-operative suits is given to them, delay in the disposal of such suits will be greatly minimised.

Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer.—It is necessary at first to ascertain the cause of delay. The Co-operative Conference which was being held every year was of immense use for persons interested in Co-operation to exchange views on such subjects and devise measures for remedying the defects noticed. Suitable arrangements ought to be made for holding the Conference as usual every year.

Mr. Ananthaiya.—If special Sheikdars are given for places where there are many Co-operative Societies, the difficulty will be obviated.

Second Member of Council.—The power to dispose of Co-operative suits cannot be given to Amildars or Sub-Registrars. We are thinking of raising the number of Assistant Registrars with a view to facilitate quick disposal of suits. The Revenue Commissioner will look into cases of undue delay in the execution of decrees in Co-operative suits.

SUBJECT No. 158.

Prompt execution of decrees passed by the Co-operative Department.

Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer, Bangalore City Municipality.

Summary of Representation.—Effective steps may be taken to prevent delays in the execution of decrees passed by the Co-operative Department.

Note.—Discussed along with subject No. 157.

SUBJECT No. 159.

Exemption of suits relating to Co-operative Societies from the operation of the Limitation Act.

Messrs. K. Naranappa, Gubbi Komaraiya, Hole-Narsipur Taluk, and Bale Venkatasamappa, Hole-Narsipur Municipality.

Mr. K. Naranappa.—As more time will be required to recover sums from poor people, the Limitation Act may not be made applicable to Co-operative Societies.

Mr. Malali Venkataramaiya.—If interest is distributed and entered in the accounts every year, there will be no question of limitation.

Second Member of Council.—Not desirable. It will have a deleterious effect on Co-operative Societies if the period of limitation within which they should bring up suits against defaulters is done away with.